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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add newly-submitted Claims 65-72 as follows:

- The method of claim 64 wherein the mixed solution comprises about 100 mmol/L 65. to about 160 mmol/L of sodium, about 0 mmol/L to about 2.0 mmol/L of calcium, about 0 mmol/L to about 1.5 mmol/L of magnesium, about 0.1 mmol/L to about 5 mmol/L of potassium, about 20 mmol/L to about 45 mmol/L of bicarbonate, about 70 mmol/L to about 130 mmol/L of chloride, about 0 mmol/L to about 45 mmol/L of lactate, about 0 mmol/L to about 45 mmol/L of acetate and about 0 g/L to about 2.5 g/L of anhydrous glucose.
- 66. The method of claim 64 wherein the bicarbonate concentrate and the electrolyte concentrate include an equimolar amount of sodium of about 160 mmol/L or less.
- The method of claim 64 wherein the first component has a pH ranging from 67. about 7.2 to about 7.9 and the second component has a pH ranging from about 3.0 to about 5.0.
- 68. The method of claim 64 wherein the first component has a pH ranging from about 8.6 to about 9.5 and the second component has a pH ranging from about 1.7 to about 2.2.